

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of)
Linda E. TIFFANY et al.) Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Application No.: 10/642,347) Examiner: Unassigned
Filed: August 18, 2003) Confirmation No.: 1912
For: MICROWAVEABLE FRENCH FRIES,)
PACKAGING, AND PROCESSING)

FIRST
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

Copies of the listed U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications are not enclosed since it is no longer required according to the July 11, 2003 waiver of the requirement for copies of cited U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications in national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003 and international applications entering the national stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 after June 30, 2003.

The listed documents are being identified within three (3) months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later. Since the listed documents are being identified within the time period set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) no fee or statement is required.

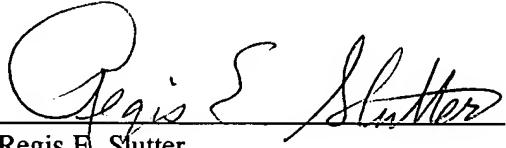
Information Disclosure Statement
Application No. 10/642,347
Attorney's Docket No. 011525-372
Page 2

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner-initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

BURNS, DOANE, SWECKER & MATHIS, L.L.P.

Date: January 7, 2004

By: 

Regis E. Slutter
Registration No. 26,999

P.O. Box 1404
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1404
(703) 836-6620

Substitute for forms 1449A/PTO & 1449B/PTO	ATTORNEY'S DKT NO. 011525-372	APPLICATION NO. 10/642,347
FIRST INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT	APPLICANT Linda E. TIFFANY et al.	FILING DATE August 18, 2003
	GROUP Unassigned	

**FIRST INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

JAN 07 2004

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Document Number	Kind Code (if known)	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Issue/Publication Date (MM-DD-YYYY)
	4,931,296		Shanbhag et al.	06-05-1990
	4,935,592		Oppenheimer	06-19-1990
	5,000,970		Shanbhag et al.	03-19-1991
	5,049,710		Prosise et al.	09-17-1991
	5,096,723		Turpin	03-17-1992
	5,175,404		Andreas et al.	12-29-1992
	5,310,977		Stenkamp et al.	05-10-1994

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Signature _____ Date Considered _____

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with M.P.E.P. § 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. **SEND TO:** Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.